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Pennsylvania Broilers

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For the Week of August 20 - 26, 2006

Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 8 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending August 26, 2006, were 2,735,000, down 8 percent from the previous week and 9 percent below the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 3 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,086,000, down slightly from the previous week and down 3 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 174,188,000, down slightly from the previous week and down slightly from the corresponding week a year earlier.

Placements during the past 9 weeks were 1 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 213,180,000, up slightly from the previous week and up slightly from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending October 21, 2006, will be 2,828,000, down 8 percent from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 169,084,000, 1 percent below the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

| Period Covered | Pennsylvania | | | 19 States | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Number (1,000) | Percent | | Number (1,000) | Percent | |
| | | Previous Week | Year Earlier | | Previous Week | Year Earlier |
| Broilers Placed | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 2,735 | 92 | 91 | 174,188 | 100 | 100 |
| Past 9 Weeks | 26,453 | NA | 97 | 1,565,081 | NA | 99 |
| Eggs Set | | | | | | |
| Past Week | 4,086 | 100 | 97 | 213,180 | 100 | 100 |
| Past 3 Weeks | 12,174 | NA | 99 | 639,215 | NA | 101 |
| Expected Marketings | | | | | | |
| Week Ending: Oct 21, 2006 | 2,828 | NA | 92 | 169,084 | NA | 99 |

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending August 19, 2006, totaled 2,452,000 head with an average live weight of 5.27 pounds.

This publication can be found on the Internet at
www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Pennsylvania/Publications/Broilers

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Jul 22 2006 | Jul 29 2006 | Aug 5 2006 | Aug 12 2006 | Aug 19 2006 | Aug 26 2006 |
| | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> |
| AL | 32,037 | 32,037 | *31,885 | 31,738 | 31,873 | 31,580 |
| AR | 29,980 | 30,096 | *30,155 | 30,200 | 30,346 | 30,429 |
| DE | 3,824 | 4,075 | 4,110 | 4,112 | 4,008 | 3,824 |
| FL | 1,364 | 1,364 | *1,389 | 1,344 | 1,353 | 1,364 |
| GA | 34,858 | 34,468 | 34,988 | 34,513 | 35,047 | 35,145 |
| KY | 7,189 | *7,607 | 7,382 | 7,253 | 7,195 | 7,165 |
| LA | 3,954 | 3,954 | 3,952 | 3,954 | 3,954 | 3,954 |
| MD | 8,855 | 8,867 | 8,831 | 8,797 | 8,862 | 8,766 |
| MS | 17,947 | 17,914 | 17,864 | 17,693 | 17,628 | 17,700 |
| NC | 18,380 | 18,397 | *18,046 | 18,406 | 18,350 | 18,417 |
| OK | 6,494 | *6,555 | *6,620 | *6,432 | 6,264 | 6,456 |
| PA | 4,229 | 4,246 | 3,962 | 3,984 | 4,104 | 4,086 |
| SC | 5,385 | 5,259 | 5,288 | 5,328 | 5,261 | 5,291 |
| TX | 14,769 | 14,777 | 14,820 | 14,758 | 14,794 | 14,852 |
| VA | 6,353 | 6,323 | 6,279 | 6,326 | 5,917 | 5,917 |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | 18,275 | *18,250 | *17,883 | *18,148 | 18,093 | 18,234 |
| 19 State Total | 213,893 | *214,189 | *213,454 | *212,986 | 213,049 | 213,180 |
| Previous Year Total | 215,913 | 214,171 | 213,068 | 210,010 | 212,244 | 212,598 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 99 | 100 | 100 | 101 | 100 | 100 |

* Revised.

Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Jul 22 2006 | Jul 29 2006 | Aug 5 2006 | Aug 12 2006 | Aug 19 2006 | Aug 26 2006 |
| | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> | <i>Thousand</i> |
| AL | 21,992 | 20,820 | 21,928 | 21,798 | 22,310 | 21,902 |
| AR | 22,880 | 23,224 | 24,382 | *22,941 | *23,635 | 23,946 |
| DE | 5,971 | 5,242 | 5,116 | 4,662 | 5,331 | 4,449 |
| FL | 1,390 | 1,388 | 1,534 | 1,410 | 1,510 | 1,516 |
| GA | 28,429 | 28,099 | 28,525 | 29,068 | 27,811 | 28,275 |
| KY | 5,760 | 5,892 | 6,004 | 5,741 | *6,231 | 5,967 |
| LA | 3,916 | 3,630 | 3,962 | 3,668 | 3,629 | 3,923 |
| MD | 5,699 | 6,154 | 6,062 | 6,454 | 5,844 | 6,621 |
| MS | 15,166 | 15,924 | 15,990 | 15,975 | 15,894 | 16,028 |
| NC | 15,060 | 14,929 | 15,565 | 15,198 | 15,464 | 15,036 |
| OK | 5,481 | 5,047 | 4,029 | *5,874 | *5,238 | 4,523 |
| PA | 2,870 | 2,841 | 3,063 | 3,042 | *2,970 | 2,735 |
| SC | 4,754 | 4,217 | 4,643 | 4,304 | 4,417 | 4,707 |
| TX | 11,070 | 12,596 | 12,577 | 12,411 | 12,390 | 12,523 |
| VA | 5,198 | 5,669 | 5,143 | 4,775 | 4,995 | 4,929 |
| CA, MO, TN, & WV | *15,774 | *17,035 | *16,606 | *17,035 | 16,727 | 17,108 |
| 19 State Total | *171,410 | *172,707 | *175,129 | *174,356 | *174,396 | 174,188 |
| Previous Year Total | 172,892 | 175,277 | 177,097 | 177,045 | 176,063 | 174,673 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 99 | 99 | 99 | 98 | 99 | 100 |

* Revised.